

RESOLUTION

A Resolution Regarding Regional Water Supply Planning

WHEREAS, the Virginia General Assembly has mandated the development of local and regional water supply plans throughout the Commonwealth and the State Water Control Board has developed regulations to implement this planning process; and

WHEREAS, based upon these regulations, the Town of The Plains is required to complete a water supply plan that fulfills the regulations by deadlines based on population, specifically:

By November 2, 2010 for local governments with populations 15,000 or less

WHEREAS, local governments may elect to join one or more other local governments to develop a regional water supply plan for which a deadline of November 2, 2011 has been established.

WHEREAS, the following elements must be included in all local or regional water supply programs:

- A description of existing water sources in accordance with 9 VAC 25-780-70;
- A description of existing water use in accordance with the requirements of 9 VAC 25-780-80;
- A description of existing water resource conditions in accordance with the requirements of 9 VAC 25-780-90;
- An assessment of projected water demand in accordance with the requirements of 9 VAC 25-780-100;
- A description of water management actions in accordance with the requirements of 9 VAC 25-780-110 and 9 VAC 780-120;
- A statement of need in accordance with the requirements of 9 VAC 25-780-130;
- An alternatives analysis that identifies potential alternatives to address projected deficits in water supplies in accordance with the requirements of 9 VAC 25-780-130;
- A map or maps identifying important elements of the program that may include existing environmental resources, existing water sources, significant existing water uses, and proposed new sources;
- A copy of the adopted program documents including any local plans or ordinances or amendments that incorporate the local program elements required by this chapter;
- A resolution approving the plan from each local government that is party to the plan; and
- A record of the local public hearing, a copy of all written comments and the submitter's response to all written comments received, and

WHEREAS, the Town of The Plains, the Town of Remington, and Fauquier County all are dependant on groundwater for public drinking water supplies, and

WHEREAS, it is reasonable and prudent to for the following local governments to coordinate and collaborate in the development of a regional water supply plan: the Town of The Plains, the Town of Remington, and Fauquier County; and

WHEREAS, regional water supply planning is a sensible approach to developing a water supply plan since watershed boundaries and aquifers do not follow political boundaries and since there will likely be cost savings to all jurisdictions participating.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of The Plains agrees to participate with the Town of Remington and Fauquier County in the development of a regional water supply plan and authorizes the Fauquier County to manage and develop said regional water supply plan that will comply with mandated regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of The Plains intends to provide a proportionate share of resources based upon population of the participating partners for the project for work performed within the organization to meet the requirements of the regional water supply planning effort, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the State Water Control Board and the Department of Environmental Quality should consider this resolution from each of the participating localities as its Letter of Intent to participate in a regional water supply plan with a completion due date of November 2, 2011, in accordance with 9 VAC 25-780-50.B.4.

Upon the Motion of Blake GALLAGHER and seconded by Jane Heron Pearson, this RESOLUTION is hereby approved on this the 21st day of July, 2008.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Nancy E. Brady
Clerk

Robert L. Gurtler
Robert L. Gurtler, Mayor